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from the

PRESIDENT'S DESK

Well by the time you read this, July will be upon us and summer will be here. The members that are going to the A.N.A. convention and will attend the TEC meeting will be getting their things ready so they can go to the convention. This year I did not hear to many say they would be going. So maybe we won't see so many TEC members there this year, or we may be surprised.

I guess you all know its election year and all the same members were nominated to run again for another two years. We couldn't get any one to take a job and not many nominations were sent in. Those that we felt could do a good job weren't interested in a job at all. Others didn't answer their letter. So at the last minute the same officers were nominated to run for another two years. All accepted and we now have a slate of officers.

In the next two years we should start looking for someone to take over, as how long can one stay on a job. There are some members who could do a good job, but they are not interested in running for the job right now.

I'd like to thank my officers who have worked for me in the past two years. Each and every one of them has worked hard for me and all have answered letters right away. This is a must to keep a club going. If it takes you over two months to answer a letter to a president of a club, a member shouldn't take an office. No one should take a job, if they can't do it. There are records to keep, letters to write, which is most important to keep a club going.

The ballots will be mailed out with the TEC NEWS. I don't really think we need this, but we will do this to keep everyone happy. So please check your ballot and mail them back to the Secretary, Al Kirka at once, or before August 1, 1977. Would you be-

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lieve last year we received one ballot that was sent to them in 1975. It wasn't funny McGee.

Everything is set for the TEC meeting. The meeting will be held on a Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. If you are going to the T.A.M.S. luncheon, eat fast, so you can make it to the TEC meeting. I would like more visiting with the TEC members at our TEC meeting. A few said, they would like to have time to show their coins around that they have to sell or trade. I don't know how much time we will have but we can try to do some of these things. If all goes well we may have a special program, but I'm not sure yet. I will hear more of this later, but the TEC NEWS will go to press by then.

Have heard that postage may go up to 15¢, or 16¢ after the first of the year. When that goes up it seems everything else will go up too. We will cross that bridge when we get to that. Things still aren't that bad.

The award for the best coin made last year is already ordered and the award for the best exhibt is ready too. The few other things will be taken care of shortly.

As of this writing the TEC badges aren't ready yet, but they will be here any day now. All I'll have to do is put the ribbons on. If you didn't order your TEC badge before the deadline, its to late now. Even if we had the deadline on each page some would forget to order anyhow. We hear some good excuses when a few are late. Yet we had it in the October issue, January issue, and the April issue. So you just couldn't miss reading about the deadline.

Last but not least, I want to thank not only my faithful officers who have done so much for me to have a good two years, but also Lloyd Wagaman and Bob Luchtman. These two men really work hard for TEC and for me. Without their kind help it just couldn't have been done. When you wear your TEC badge you know Bob made it, when you get your membership coin, Bob made that too. Your TEC NEWS coins were made by Lloyd Wagaman as well as those nice Award Coins. Those that have earned one really appreciate the one they get. So when TEC is giving you something like the coins with TEC NEWS, remember if it weren't for those kind members donating, you wouldn't be getting anything free. How many clubs give you five coins free as TEC does? So hope to hear some of you say, "Thanks to the kind people that do make this possible". Thanks to all those kind members who have helped TEC or me in any way. Thanks a million to all as this was appreciated by me.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Kirka, President

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NOTICE! ALL ADVERTISERS

New rates are now in effect for ads in TEC NEWS as passed by board action in Miami, Florida, August 14, 1974.

Price of "Camera ready" copy to remain the same, but if set up by editor, which will be a typewriter set-up with no art work, the price for ads will be doubled.

Camera ready - Full page ad $10.00, ½ page $6.00, ¼ page $3.50
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DEADLINE NOTICE

DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

Ads - July 26th

Articles - July 28th

CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR OFFICE

All the same officers were nominated to run for the same office for the next two years again.

President - - - - -	Sally Kirka #16	Board of Governors	
Vice-Pres. - -	Ruby Threlkeld #202	Harold Anderson - - - -	#483
Secretary - - - - - -	Al Kirka #450	Richard Townsend - - -	#365
Treasurer - -	Chester Grabowski #512	Chester Rogers - - - - -	#315

ARTICLES BY CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR OFFICE

Sally Kirka — Nominated for President

I'm Sally Kirka of Manchester, Conn. and have been nominated For President. I have been the President for the last four years and also the TEC Editor for the past six years. Four years was enough for me, but no one wanted the job so I accepted to run again for two more years. I will work hard in the next two years as I have done in the past, but will scout around for someone else to take over in 1979. In the meantime there's work to be done and TEC NEWS to get out. No matter how sick I was, my work always gets done as I keep going.

If elected, you know I will work hard and do all the work that should be done. To those who think I get paid as Editor, think again, as the only pay I get is a kind word from you the members. I try to please, but you may find one or two you can't please no matter what you do. So ask not what I can do for you, ask what you can do for TEC? Yes, we need a little of everyone to make TEC a success in the next two years.

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Ruby Threlkeld #202 — Nominated for Vice-President

I'm Ruby Threlkeld of La Marque, Texas. It has been my pleasure to have served The Elongated Collectors Club as a Board member, and now as the Vice President for the past two years. I'm also the Chairlady of the TEC Archives and have kept everything in order. TEC is one of the best hobby clubs anywhere. The officers all work together. We get a very nice TEC NEWS every three months of the year. We also have a good meeting each year at the A.N.A. Convention. I have been nominated again for Vice President. If I am elected I will continue as in the past, to do my best for the club.

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Al Kirka #450 — Nominated for Secretary

I'm Al Kirka of Manchester, Conn. and I've been your TEC Secretary for the past four years. I'm also co-editor of the TEC NEWS. I accept the nomination to run again for two more years, but after that I feel like Sally does, let someone else take over in 1979.

I am V. Pres. of NENA and also a treasurer in the Knights of Columbus and am one of the Board of Directors of the C.C.C.C. I wouldn't take the job if I couldn't do it. Now its easy when you know what you are doing, also if you live with the President she makes sure the work gets done. All in all Sally and I work very well together, we don't really over do it, but we don't let any grass grow under our feet either. So if elected I will do my best for TEC and will work hard with the President of TEC.

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CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR OFFICE (cont. from page 4)

I'm Chester Grabowski of Rockville, Conn. and I've been your treasurer for the past four years. I have accepted the nomination to run again for the office of Treasurer. I will work hard as I have in the past and keep a monthly record. I give a monthly report to the Secretary each month so our record are kept in good order.

I'm past President of the Southern New England Coin Dealers Association and am now the Vice Pres. of M.C.C. I'm also a member of the A.N.A., N.E.N.A.. C.C.C.C. and D.W.M.C. and many of the paper money clubs.

If elected I will work hard for TEC and won't let the club down. I will also help the President as much as I can and when ever asked for help.

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Harold Anderson #483 Nominated for Board of Directors

I Harold Anderson of Oklawaha, Florida have been on your Board of Directors for the past four years. I have accepted the nomination to run for the Board of Directors for the next two years. If elected I will work hard as I have done in the past. I will work hard for the president and will answer my letters to the president as I have done in the past.

I have been an officer in many clubs so know how important it is to be a good officer, so I will do my best to work for the best interest of TEC. Thank you for nominating me again.

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Richard Townsend #365 Nominated for Board of Directors

I, Richard Townsend of Rochester, New York accept the nomination to run for the TEC Board of Directors. As in the past two years I will work hard for our TEC President. I will also answer all letters to the President at once.

I've been a TEC member since 1968 and am happy to be a member so long. I'm also a member of the A.N.A., T.A.M.S., S.P.A.N., and many other clubs. I understand the hard work ahead and will help with everything asked of me by the president. Most of all I'll work for the good of TEC. Thank you for nominating me.

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Chester Rogers #315 Nominated for Board of Directors

I'm Chester Rogers of Leachville, Ark., formally from Beverly, Mass. I am honored to be nominated for the Board of Directors of TEC. If elected I will do my best to help in any way that I can and will work hard for TEC. I'm never to busy to answer the business letters to the President, as I know this is a must to keep a club going.

I have been an officer in many of my clubs in Leachville and in Beverly, Mass. I know the work that goes with any job so I know I will work hard if elected. Thank you for having nominated me for this job.

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TEC NEWS COIN

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

We have the beautiful TEC NEWS coins and what a nice job of hand engraving Lloyd Wagaman has done! It is a shame some of the TEC members will miss out on this coin as this coin is not for sale unless the members receiving them sell them. All you have to do to receive this coin is to write an article of 250 words or more about elongated coins or an article pertaining to them. It would be nice if we could get the new members interested in writing an article, or get the members who have been in for years write an article for the TEC NEWS. Come on folks give it a try.

We would like to thank you Lloyd E. Wagaman for a job well done and for donating these elongated coins to TEC. This is appreciated by all of us, especially by Al and I.

Because we wanted to save on postage we will mail the TEC NEWS coins now, so we can send the coins that will be given for articles in the July issue too. I hope you appreciate these free elongated coins, because if it wasn't for the generosity of Lloyd Wagaman we wouldn't be able to give any TEC NEWS coins. This is something we did to get the members to send in articles. So if your interested in receiving this elongated coin, write an article for the next issue. The coins are also serial numbered. After the October issue the die will be destroyed and no more will be made.

Articles must be written so I can read them, or I wont be able to use them. No articles will be returned as if your article is so valuable, I don't want to be responsible for it. I will reject any articles that are of a derogatory nature. There are many nice things you can write about, without going out of your way to hurt someone. If you have any questions please write to me as we need all the good articles we can get.

Below are the list of names of TEC members who have had an article in the (April, May, June) issue of TEC NEWS. All will receive their TEC NEWS coins as they will be mailed before this TEC issue.

25 - From the President's Desk - - - - - - - - - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
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The TEC meeting will be held on a Friday afternoon on August 26, 1977. So have a happy summer and see most of you at the TEC meeting at Atlanta, Ga.

YESTERDAY'S ELONGATEDS

by Lee Martin TEC #129
Beaumont, Calif.

Yesterday's Elongateds, by Lee Martin and Dottie Dow, is a new book in the process of being compiled. The subject matter will include all pictures and data in Dottiee Dow's original book, The Elongated Collector, and also cover hundreds of previously unlisted elongated coins. In addition, the book's primary purpose will be as a pricing guide. Prices have been compiled from many sources. Prices realized from catalogs issued by Spadone, Koppenhaver, and Christensen & Stone, also numerous independent sales and from the prices paid for elongated coins from a variety of sources.

One of the big problems has been the wide range asked for the same elongated coin. In one instance, one dealer priced a coin at $40., While another dealer sold it for $2.50. Which was accurate? To try and answer that, lists are being analyzed for an availability factor. The number of times a coin has appeared in sales will be a primary price consideration.

TEC members are asked to drop a line to Lee Martin with some indication of prices paid for elongated coins made prior to 1965. In all probability, elongated coins made since 1965 will be omitted from the book. The reason is simply one of economics. The costs of reproducing all elongated coins made to date would be impossible to pass on to collectors. (A book written by Lee Martin titled "Today's Elongateds" covered current coins. More than 200 pages were used in that book and since then the number of rollers has increased.) Printing costs have also risen to a point where it's impractical to try to completely cover the field.

At this time the Lord's Prayer elongated coins, which have been produced in quantity ever since our hobby was born, is an enigma. Pictures should be printed double size for better details, but so many elongated coins exist that a separate book would be practical. Current thinking is to include as many Lord's Prayer as possible with pictures above normal size, but if the budget allows and if enough orders come in, oversized photos might be made. Our book will be published in two editions. A special library edition for those who order before publication will be offered. Mintage of this book will be determined by the number of orders received. A regular edition to be sold by dealers, etc. will be a follow-up issue. If you are interested in the library edition, please forward your name. Do not send money at this time. Send your name and address to Lee Martin, Box 667, Beaumont, California, 92223. Unfortunately, price of the book is not known, it would depend upon how involved the book is and what costs are incurred. There is no obligation to buy the book, your name will merely be kept on file until the proper time for notification.

Among the other problems encountered are trying to discover which elongated coins were produced years ago and are still being made. In some instances, rollers have apparently photographed old designs and reproduced them by the photo-fabrication method. In addition, many collectors are avoiding listing elongated coins that should be in the book in the belief that they will be worth more if they are unlisted. This was accurate in the past, but because of different thinking and the questioned legitimacy of some elongated coins, it is hoped full cooperation can be achieved.

Finally, a thank you must be sent to all the members who have promised cooperation. The book will be comprehensive due entirely to TEC member's assistance. In behalf of Dottie Dow and myself, I would like to say thank you! The hobby will prosper when informative books are available.

RESTRIKES OR ORIGINALS? ?

by Bob Luchtman TEC #136
Steamboat, Nev.

I read the article on elongated coin re-strikes by Doug Fairbanks, Jr. in the April, May, June issue of TEC NEWS. I am familiar with some of the elongated coins mentioned and thought I would pass on the info I have to others and let them judge for themselves whether they are restrikes or originals that are just surfacing.

I purchased the machine manufacturing business in 1968 from Charles Lorati, Portland, Oregon. In order to close the sale, my wife and I had to make the trip to Portland where we met "Charlie". We found Charlie to be a 84 year old vegetarian, really a health nut except for his passion for Coca Cola. Charlie had been making rolling machines for many years. At this time I don't know if old Charlie was a bit senile or a bit cagey, but it was very difficult and at times impossible to get positive information from him, especially when it came to dates, different engravings made etc. He said, he kept no records so the only info I could get had to be verbal and what I could see. Charlie wasn't interested in elongated coins as a collectable item. His interest was in selling machines to people who would roll elongated coins for the public at the fairs, carnivals and in general any place a crowd would gather.

I tried to find out when he entered the elongated coin business but to no avail except that it was a very long time ago. I thought I had hit a bonanza and just knew I was going to wind up with oodles and oodles of oldies. Here now again I met with disappointment, seems that old Charlie did not save a sample of every engraving he had done, although he did say he had a few in a book somewhere. It took me a lot of pushing and talking (I guess you could call it begging) to show me the book. It contained a few dozen elongated coins, including F.D.R's, Dionne Quints, Moses, Ore. Rose Festival, etc. I managed to get a price from him that he would take for the book and I got a few oldies this way. I asked about others and was taken up to the attic where he blew the dust off a couple of cigar boxes, which were filled with elongated coins. Anticipation was high at this time. Just glancing at the contents I saw mainly the Lords Prayers (this was his biggest seller over the years) I saw a few odd balls also. I asked what he wanted for the whole batch. He couldn't see what anyone would want with all those pennies, but finally sold them to me. I asked if he had anymore laying around and he said, "No", what he had shown me was all he had. I had my doubts, but couldn't push to far, so I let it go at that. All this I mention as a prelude to what happened at a later date.

The place was Prineville, Oregon at the Rockhounds Pow Wow in 1976. My wife and I were set up at the show selling jewelry and when things were slow at the booth we took turns touring around to see what other dealers had for sale. On one of my tours I saw some elongated coins in a dealers case, some of which were ones I had rolled. I got talking with the dealer and found out that he had made a deal with a fellow in Oregon for a whole bunch of elongated coins. He had traded him some World War II German swords and a few other things. This dealer didn't bring all the elongated coins with him. As he wasn't familiar with the elongated coins he told me he just brought a couple hundred to see how they would sell. I asked to see what he had brought with him and lo and behold they were old Charlies elongated coins. I recognized them all. I had given Charlie about 1000 of my first Moon Landing pennies and there were a bunch of these in the group.

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RESTRIKES OR ORIGINALS ? ? (cont. from page 8)

I could tell from the way this dealer talked that the fellow he got the elongated coins from wasn't Charlie. I tried to contact Charlie a couple of years ago and my letter was returned, "no such person at that address". Some of the elongated coins in this group were mentioned in Doug Fairbanks article, which brings me to the point in question, are these to be considered re-rolls? I know that Charles Lorati engraved and rolled the ones listed below. I found some of these in the book I bought from him and others mixed in with the group of unsorted that were in his attic.

I know that the elongated coins seen at Prineville were from Charlie. After seeing these and hearing of the quantities, I know that Charlie held out on me and had many others that he didn't want to be bothered showing me. I can't help but feel that Charlie died and left to his estate untold quantities of a great variety of elongated coins, both old and comparitively new. These were sold or traded to apparently the one who collected German World War II material.

So the situation is this. Charlie engraved and rolled the elongated coins that are now surfacing, so are these to be considered re-rolls? Actually they are the originals that were engraved and rolled years ago. It is conceivable that some of the engraved rolls for producing these elongated coins still exist and could roll some at this time. However, for any one person to have all these engravings is highly unlikely. I know that Charlie engraved most of these for his own use. I am no authority on re-rolls especially if older pennies were rolled with old engravings. If some one can tell me how to detect the old rolls from the recent rolls I would appreciate hearing about it.

If this article causes confusion, I'm sorry. I know that I did not see all the elongated coins that my friend Charlie made, but I can't help but feel that as far as some of the elongated coins mentioned in Dougs article are concerned some of them are not re-rolls but the originals that are showing up in quantity at this date and would appear to be re-rolls.

The ones in question are: Relc.c., WAS-SWF-4, WAS xxx-1, Was-sea-1, OREpor-1, ORExxx-1, MICxxx-13.

As a collector, would you call these re-rolls or originals if they were rolled by the engraver years ago and are surfacing today? Would like to hear your feelings regarding this.

NOTICE - - - - NOTICE - - - - NOTICE

We again will only give the TEC members a chance to draw on door prizes. Not many have answered the call to donate something for the TEC meeting. This will be our last year for door prizes. I can't see asking the same ones to donate year after year. I have a feeling we are the only club that gives so much away. This is not a must for our meeting anyhow. We do have some very nice things donated and some lucky members will get a chance to win one or two. We will let the members draw until all the things are gone. Those that would like to donate something, please bring what ever you have to the Convention to me. Those that want to send me their donations, please do it before August 1st. We appreciate what ever you care to donate and thank you kindly.

A DAY AT THE T.V. STATION

by Chester M. Rogers TEC #515
Leachville, Arkansas

Down here in the Mid-South, we have a T.V. program in Jonesboro, Arkansas on channel 8 and it comes on at 12 noon, called the "Scene Midday", following the news of the day. On the "Scene Midday program they have a guest who either has a hobby, or are putting on a benefit show for the local communities.

Now after rolling elongated coins for over five years I have come to realize that "Rolling Elongated Coins" is definitely a hobby and thats the reason there are only a handful of rollers who are active in it. Well I sent in a resume with a sample elongated coin to Grovernel Grisham, who is the interviewer on this program to see if I could make this program and talk about my hobby of rolling out elongated coins.

In about two weeks I received a call from Mrs. Grisham inviting me to be her guest on May 3rd on station KAIT-T.V. Having no commitment on May 3rd, I gladly accepted this appointment. The T.V. station being thirty miles away, I started out bright and early to be at the station at 9:30 a.m. This gave me plenty of time to get there for a pre-show interview. During my interview with Mrs. Grisham she stated that she had never seen an elongated coin, or ever heard about one. To her this sounded as a fascinating hobby. During this interview she was taking down notes so she could ask me some leading questions that would explain a little about elongated coins on the program. The program only lasted five minutes, but a lot was said in those five minutes. Mrs. Grisham showed the obverse of the elongated coin showing how Lincoln looked on the other side of an elongated coin. My family who were watching the show said the coins showed up very nice on camera.

I also had to explain about the law on rolling elongated coins. I couldn't give all the details, but enough so they understood what I was talking about. It sure was great to be able to explain to the T.V. viewers about elongated coins on live T.V. Since I had the privilege of speaking at fraternal meetings and coin clubs when you can see the reaction of what one is talking about, is so much different than when you have two cameramen only at the interview. I still got a little nervous, but I did enjoy it just the same.

OWLS ARE BEAUTIFUL

by Barbara Izzo TEC #662
Carlstadt, N.J.

Since I've joined TEC I've become more interested in owls and have been reading about them in many books all about the many different owls we have in this country. I have received some very nice elongated coins with owls on them, so this makes me more interested to read as much as I can about them. Some of the pictures of the owls show the different colors of the owls. Its surprising how pretty some of them are.

As I was reading the different books I was trying to see which owl looked the most like our TEC owl. I did see a picture of one owl that resembles the TEC owl, but I'm still not sure. This owl is from around New Jersey, or from around the east coast, It has dark eyes and sometimes its gray and redish in color, although its head is much redder, or rust color than the rest of his body. I could be wrong, but this owl is called the Fiammuiated Owl.

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OWLS ARE BEAUTIFUL (cont. from page 10)

I have been told our TEC owl symbol was taken from a Greek coin, but I'm not sure. Will have to learn more about this. I know that some of the owls on the elongated coins, specially our membership elongated coins are nicely engraved. I think I try to collect all elongated coins with the TEC owl on them, or for that matter any other owl on elongated coins. This past Christmas even I had a Christmas elongated coin made with a candy cane and an owl standing on one end of the cane. Just another owl to add to my collection.

As John and I go to many flea markets we see many owls. This makes me think of our President Sally Kirka as she has a large collection of owls too. Then one day I visited one of my girl friends who also had been collecting owls for many years. What surprised me was her house was full of all kinds of owls. She told me she belongs to a club and she gets owls from all over the world. This would be something for Sally to see, as I know she would enjoy this.

I myself make different kinds of owls in my spare time and also make all kinds of jewelry of many different owls on pins and necklaces. I've been selling these at different shows. Last year I donated a few for our TEC meeting and I saw the girls wearing them later. More than once I spotted one or two of my work in someones collection. So to you who collect owls and owl elongated coins, why not design one so we can add another to our fast growing collection. As you know owls are beautiful too.

YOU TOO, CAN COME UP WITH A WINNER

by Al Kirka TEC #450
Manchester, Conn.

I think I told you how my wife can get up all kinds of ideas for exhibits. She looks at a few elongated coins, gets an idea and then gets that box of all those, "I don't know what for things" she buys during the year but doesn't know what for but she says she will need it for something. Its really funny to see her dig around that box and come up with a new idea for an exhibit.

This year it was a Bicentennial exhibit of elongated coins she got during 1976. With a few things added here and there, she can fix up an exhibit in no time. Now you know what some judges think of elongated coins, so Sally has to make it extra nice and work harder to make the judges take notice. Sally always tells me she doesn't mind if she doesn't win, but at least the people will know there are elongated coins around. Believe me she will make sure there are elongated coins at all the coin shows, or clubs that Sally belongs to. No one is prouder of her elongated coins than Sally is.

Getting back to my wife Sally's Bicentennial exhibit, in six weeks this Spring Sally won four trophies with this same exhibit. What also made it nice, at her 3rd coin show Sally received the "Best of Show Award". She was really surprised at this one, as it was the "John Gubata Memorial Award" plaque given by his family at the Tri-State Coin Club of Danielson, Connecticut. I think Sally accepted this award with a tear in her eye as John was a very good friend of ours. When she got home she looked at the award and said, "I'm very proud of this award and this will always have a extra special place in my heart".

So out of a few things added with a few elongated coins, you too may come up with a winner as Sally did. Don't let anyone kid you elongated coins are coming up in this Numismatic World. So keep exhibiting and make sure everyone hears about our elongated coins.

COINS ARE WORTH WHAT EVER YOU'LL PAY

BY SALLY KIRKA TEC #16
MANCHESTER, CONN.

As I was typing one article it got me thinking, don't let anyone kid you that we have to educate the coin dealers. They know what they want for the elongated coins and they ask for a price that some of the collectors are willing to pay. Believe me some of the elongated coin collectors will pay a good price to get a certain elongated coin that they want.

It was like the $500. coin we saw in Washington D.C. at the A.N.A. Convention a few years ago. I couldn't help but laugh at the coin dealer when he said, the price of this elongated coin was $500. I told him right out, "but the roller is selling the coin for $5. Most of the TEC group looked the coin over shook our heads and then walked away. Would you believe, one of the TEC members later went back and bought that coin. I do not know if they paid $500. for it, I'd say they still paid a high price for it. The dealer told me later which one of the TEC group bought the coin, but told me not to let on he told me who it was. This TEC member liked the elongated coin and wanted it, they were willing to pay a good price for it. The dealer didn't force anyone to buy it, but he also knew if a collector wanted it bad enough they would buy it. The dealer made on this deal, but I wouldn't say we have to educate the dealers. As for me when I see a high price on an elongated coin I only look at it and wish the dealer luck in getting his high price for his coin.

Now not all dealers are out to get us with high prices on the elongated coins. I met some swell dealers and my hat off to them. Many times I get an older elongated coin where I only paid $2. for it from a dealer. More then once I was given the coin free because they knew how much I enjoyed collecting coins.

At one of our N.E.N.A. Convention I saw a real oldie and only a few have this coin, or so I hear. When the dealer saw me he said, Sally I have a coin for you. I looked the coin over and was just about to tell him what I would give for this elongated coin, when the dealer told me, he had to get $2. for that coin. I handed him the money on the spot as those that had this coin paid about a $100. for the coin. So not all coin dealers are out to get us and don't let anyone kid you that they know so little about elongated coins. If you don't believe me just try selling them an elongated coin and you'll find out they know all about elongated coins. In the past years I have met many big time dealers who have even saved an older elongated coin for me and never asked for a high price. Most of the dealers are fair with the prices, theres always a few that will take what you are willing to pay and some are willing to pay a high price for certain elongated coins.

I also saw one TEC member who paid for one elongated coin a $125. without batting an eye. They wanted that coin and nothing was going to stop them. This is one time I saw the person pay the $125. and were happy about the deal.

Its like the person who paid the $750. for the elongated coin. I wouldn't pay that much, but this person did. What they expect to do with this $750. elongated coin, I don't know, but the last I heard they still had it. I wish them all the luck in the world.

Have an article for the TEC NEWS, why not send it right in. The deadline for the next issue is July 28, and July 26th for ads. So don't let me down for the summer as if your article comes later it will go in the January issue.

"RAINY SUNDAY MARCH 13th, PROVES LUCKY" by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
North Brunswick, N.J.

It was disappointing to awake to a wet Sunday after a week of pleasant weather. However I had decided to drive to the Millstone Flea Market to pick up the bookcase I'd purchased and couldn't bring home on our last trip there as our car was loaded with family members. The dealer was situated at an indoor table and I was certain the rain would slack off enough to allow us to load the bookcase into the car. This was excuse enough to go flea marketing despite the rain.

The outdoor section contained only empty tables due to the weather, so Peg and I checked each indoor section with care. What a pleasant surprise to find a St. Christopher elongated coin hiding in a dealer's show case with the unbelievable price sticker of 25¢ affixed to a celluloid tag which reads, "SOUVENIR OF ATLANTIC CITY & STEEPLECHASE PIER". The elongated coin is holed at each end with reeded rings attached. The top ring has the tag, the bottom ring is empty. Why two rings, I've no idea. Comments are welcomed on this.

I have a REL XXX #2 St. Christopher, no holes, in my collection so this new find will be added to Peg's New Jersey collection because of the Atlantic City tag. This collection has two other elongated coins with celluloid tags. One reads the same as today's find and the other reads, Souvenir of Atlantic City, N.J. One coin is a N.J. ac #6, the other is a LPdb ODPG #3. Perhaps others will turn up some sunny or rainny day. The point is, don't let the weather keep you home.

Bargains such as this 25¢ find do not happen often, but when they do happen it brightens up even a sunny day! I thought it would be nice to share this bit of LUCK with the TEC members and I wish you all simular LUCK.

It would be interesting to have reports on elongated coins with celluloid tags and other attachments now in your collection so why not write about them. Share the information for our hobby's sake as this helps add spice and interest to the one reading your article. Happy Easter to you all.

(Editor's Note:- The elongated coin with two holes on each end could have been used in a bracelet. These were sold at the different fairs etc. I could be wrong, but I have some myself that were made like that. There are many nice jewelry made with elongated coins. Read my article on elongated jewelry.)

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THOUGHTS FOR EASTER by Ruby Threlkeld TEC #202

Easter is observed again and again because it is an ongoing event. Easter must happen to each Christian. We must lift up to a new life, one lived in a love of God that shows itself in love for other people. Since part of Easter is Good Friday, perhaps the question has arisen how the Friday before Easter is "Good Friday", or some other term. One dictionary tells us the Anglo-Saxon word "Good", originally meant "GOD" so the day was called "God's Friday". Through the tomes, it changed to "Good Friday" much the same as our present term of parting, "Goodbye", used to be "God be with you".

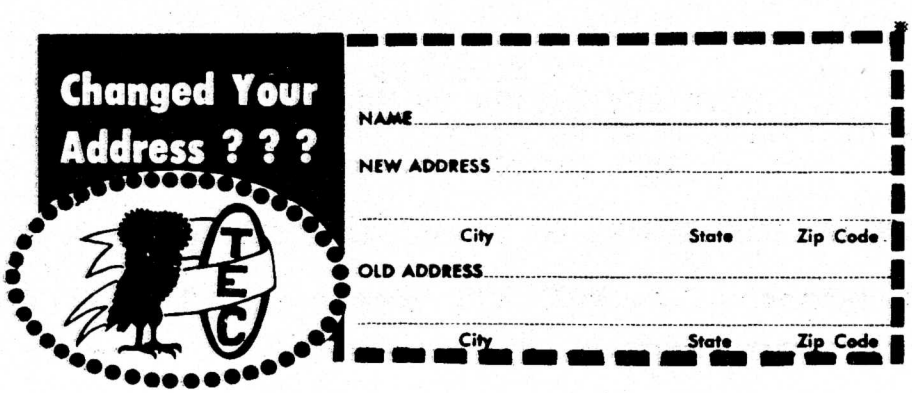
Certainly the first Friday of Holy Week was a time of great tragedy and would not have appeared "Good". Yet, even if we had been there at the time, we might not have seized upon the opportunity to hear Jesus, as we can assume that not everyone in Jesus day knew a great deal about His reputation. News traveled slowly and His ministry was short. Probably most persons in Jerusalem missed that day and the Easter season and it was actually weeks later before the disciples came out of hiding and began preaching about the deathless love of God. They were probably afraid of those who had wanted the crucifixion, but they came back together and started a movement that none couls stop. They came with fire in their bones, wisdom on their lips and zeal in their intentions. They caused the message of Easter to circle the globe.

As Good Friday comes again, we too can relate to the crucifixion and the resurrection in our own lives. We know that life's burdens can come to us from varied directions. Some come because we are members of families and others because we belong to circles of friends and as citizens of communities. Still others come, like Simon who was compelled to bear the cross for Jesus, from wholly unexpected sources. Our strength is in the Easter experience which we need today as never before.

We do not have too many elongated coins in our collections that have something to do with Easter, but the few we do have are extra special. Sally and Al Kirka rolled a beautiful Easter coin showing the Holy Bible. Dottie Dow issued one showing the three crosses and another saying "Happy Easter". Others have been issued by C7 (Cee Ceven), Lee Martin and Jack Meccarello. Perhaps there are a few others around, but I do not have them.

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS

If you have moved recently, please send us your correct address. This will save us time and money and you will receive your TEC NEWS on time. Send your correct address to the Secretary, Al Kirka, 116 Oak St., Manchester, Conn. 06040



NOTES OF INTEREST

Kazuma Oyama of Hawaii spent some time in the hospital in March right after the TEC NEWS went into the mail. So we know Kazuma Oyama will be out of the hospital by now. We do hope that he is feeling much better by now. All our prayers go with you Kazuma and don't stay sick, "get well quick" as Dottie Dow has on one of her elongated coins. When you are feeling better Kazuma write and let me know how you are.

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A correction is in order as the TEC NEWS elongated coins are made on pennies this year. Our good friend Lloyd Wagaman has made and donated these coins again this year. I hope you TEC members all know if some of these nice members didn't donate all the free coins you are getting, you would not be getting so much free coins. So thanks again Lloyd for the nice TEC NEWS coins.

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Barbara Izzo of Carlstadt, N.J. exhibited her coins at one of the clubs coin shows this past February. Barbara didn't win, but gave it a good try. Don't give up hope Barbara because you will get lucky one of these days. In the meantime keep looking for better ideas to make your exhibit out shine the others. Keep up the good work.

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Mary Eggleston of Lee Summit, Mo. also was one of the first to donate elongated coins to be given out at our TEC meeting at the A.N.A. Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. For this we thank you too Mary and we appreciate the help you have given us.

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Can you guess who rolled the longest elongated coin known? As we have heard that President Sally Kirka has the longest penny rolled by Adam Cool. It has a gold coin design stamped on this long, long elongated coin. This coin is kept in a frame along with the different size elongated coins rolled to the tinyest mini penny rolled about $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch. This mini penny was rolled for me by Lloyd Wagaman.

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A short note from TEC Historian, Ruby Threlkeld. Many thanks to Elmer Anderson for the three elongated coins sent to me for the TEC Archives. Also a thank you to Robert Dadson for the two elongated coins sent in for the TEC Archives. I also received 13 mini P.N.-Covers that Sally sent me. These were donated by Ralph A. Holmes from Indianapolis, Indiana. This is a beautiful set as it has one mini envelope with an elongated coin in it. Thank you Mr. Holmes for donating them to TEC. If any member has pictures, clippings or elongated coins relating to TEC, would appreciate you donating them to TEC.

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We have a few of the 1976 TEC badges left and they will be sold on the first come first served basis. Also because of cost of mail going up I'd appreciate a stamped envelope when ordering these badges as we may already be sold out of this badge by the time you write. This is so we can return your check. Its really a shame, the few who ordered them did not send for them. They are missing out on a beautiful rolled out quarter. Also the mintage is only 150 quarters rolled. So this badge will someday be sold at a very high price. Right now we have about 7 left. The price of this TEC badge is still $3.30.

NOTES OF INTEREST

A special thanks goes to Don Adams for the elongated coins, medals and special key chains he gave for the doorprizes for our TEC meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. Don has donated coins to TEC for the past four years and you can bet we all appreciate this. Every little bit counts. So again thank you Don Adams.

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If you haven't ordered your book from Lee Martin, please do so now. Do not send your order to me. If you have, please write to Lee Martin to make sure you have a book reserved for you. Please, TEC members, if you are interested get your order in for that book now. Don't delay, many TEC members missed out on the last book because they were to busy to write. Find that few minutes and you will be glad you did. Lee Martin will let you all know the price of the book when it is ready. Lee Martin's address is P. O. Box 667, Beaumont, Calif. 92223.

Now don't forget that Angie Rosato is also writing a book too. He is also taking orders. If you want his book which will be altogether different from Lee Martins and Dottie Dows book. So get busy and order yours now. This is a must if you want this book too. Send no money at this time, just let Angie Rosato know that you are interested in buying the book when the book comes out. Make this a must on your list.

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Wowee, what a nice U.S. Bicentennial coin Elmer Anderson has with the Liberty Bell and "Liberty" across it. Top line reads, "Let Freedom Ring" and bottom line, "200 years of Liberty". The one I had was on a token. I think the price of this on a penny is $1.00. So if you are collecting Bicentennial coins this is a must on your list. Do it now, as I don't know how many he has left. Write to Pontiac Press, 35 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, Rhode Island 02886. Its really a shame to see so many miss out on so many nice elongated coins. I have this coin in front of me so I know what I'm talking about. It is beautiful and nicely engraved. If you want his price list, why not write him a line with a S.S.A.E. It helps to get an answer.

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Chuck Strickland has donated $25 for the TEC show case for the A.N.A. Museum. This is appreciated by us all, especially me. The check will be put toward the show case so TEC will only have to donate $475. with this $25. this will make it $500. even. The check will be sent to the A.N.A. Museum for the TEC showcase in care of Arthur Fitts III from TEC. Thank you Chuck Strickland for your donation.

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Hello, Rena Hiatt of Torrance, California. We all hope you get better soon. Take it easy and listen to your Doctor. Even if you can only sit up, its good to hear you can do this. Little by little you will get better. Come on you nice TEC people, Rena has been very sick for a year now, so why not send her a get well card, or a letter. If you only knew how much this would mean to this TEC member. Her address is- 21502 S. Berendo Ave., Torrance, Calif. 90502 Rena will not be able to answer your letters, but you will make her smile again. God Bless you Rena.

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The deadline for the next issue of the TEC NEWS is July 26, for ads and July 28, for articles. Don't let me down for the summer, so send in your article now.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Thank you Mary Eggleston for sending and donating holders for the TEC Archives. Mary has sent 200 holders to TEC Historian Ruby Threlkeld to be used for the coins that are sent for the TEC Archives. We appreciate this very much Mary.

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Duane Spellman has rolled two nice coins, one is of the L.A. County Fair with Porky the pig on it and 1922-1976 on it. The other coin is also an L.A. County Fair coin with Fun Zone on it with a roller-coaster and a ferris wheel on it. Don't know if these coins are still for sale or not. Why not drop him a line and find out. His address is 20114 Saticoy, Canoga, Park, Calif. 91306. Don't forget to send that S.S.A.E., it really does help.

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Don Adams also sent some bronze bars with an elongated coin stamped on it. These were donated to be used as door prizes at our TEC meeting. These bars are a beautiful piece of art work and those who didn't buy them from Don, are really missing the boat. So some lucky member will win one at our TEC meeting. A special thanks again to you, Don Adams of Chauvin, La. Don is always the first to help out with the door prizes for the TEC meeting.

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Anyone wishing to exhibit at the A.N.A. Convention should write to exhibit Chairman Mr. James Current, A.N.A. Convention, P.O. Box 38273 Capitol Hill Station, Atlanta, Ga. 30334. You must be an ANA member to exhibit. Also anyone exhibiting elongated coins at the convention, please let Pres. Sally Kirka know that you are exhibiting. Only those letting me know who will have an exhibit at the ANA convention will be elegible for judging for the TEC Award. So please write and let me know if you are going to exhibit at the A.N.A. Convention in Atlanta, Ga.

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For those that would like to buy their own machine for rolling elongated coins. I received a letter from one company lately who are selling rolling machines for $3500. each and if you buy three at one time, you can buy them for $2500. each. That is the price given to me. To read this brochure you'll become a millionare in a year or almost. So help me I couldn't believe what some of these rollers who buy these rolling machines are making. Lets hope the I.R.S. knows about this. I personally think someone is nuts on this ad. It could be true, but I'd like to see their income tax papers to believe it.

Later on I received another letter saying they are having a sale on these rolling machines and they are selling these now for $2500. I still shake my head, as brother that is a high price to pay for a machine, but they just could be worth that price. I will not put their address in TEC NEWS as if they can get such a high price for a rolling machine they can take out an ad too.

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The TEC NEWS coins have already been sent to the TEC members that had articles in the January and April issue of the TEC NEWS. This beautiful coin was made and donated by Lloyd Wagaman. Thanks Lloyd from all of us, we appreciate what you are doing for TEC.

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A.N.A. HOTEL IN ATLANTA GEORGIA

by Harold Anderson TEC #483
Oklawaha, Florida

As I'm on the committee to help at the A.N.A. Convention, which will be held on August 23-28, 1977, my wife Alice and I went down to one of their meetings in April. We took a tour around the hotel and found it to be very nice.

They have a beautiful lobby at the hotel and there are many places for the TEC family to sit. Believe me Sally, the place was made with you in mind. As a matter there is a place to sit on three floors so TEC can have their choice, but I know Sally will pick the first floor. I have a feeling we will have plenty of room for all.

There are also six restaurants in the hotel so you can have your pick of a quick meal to a big dinner. Alice and I had breakfast and our lunch there and the food and service was very good. I enjoyed both our meals and the price was right also. The dinners in the high priced restaurants was what I called high, but there's always some that like a nice dinner out.

Now the hotel bedrooms were all very nice, as we were shown the bedrooms too. I'm sure most members will be pleased with what they have there.

The Holiday Inn is just across the street, or I should say one of them is, so those that will be staying there won't have very far to walk. Thats a nice place to stay. They also have some nice restaurants there, in case you want to take a walk down there.

Now downtown, or where all the stores are is only four blocks away from the hotels. So if anyone cares to look around they can walk down there and do some shopping. There are also some nice places to eat around there too.

So if your planning on coming down to the convention, its only three more months to go, as of this writing. We hope to see each other again. It will be nice to see you all and the many new TEC friends we hope to meet in Atlanta, Georgia.

OUR TRIP TO ISRAEL

by Abe Gefter TEC #122
New York, N.Y.

This past March my wife Anna and I joined a group of 96 numismatists on a tour of Israel conducted by the American Israel Numismatic Association. (See April 20, issue of Coin World for the story of our tour) also World Coins issue April 26.

Although we visited Israel twice before, this trip was something special for two reasons. 1. This was a Numismatic tour with participants from all parts of the United States and it gave us an opportunity to meet fellow numismatists from many states. 2. On this tour we visited many sites of the Holyland we did not see before, for example, we flew to Mount Sinai where Moses received the Ten Commandments and we visited the world famous Santa Katarina Monastery. The Chapel of the Buring Bush, the library, and the famous skull room.

This monastery is somewhat unique because it is situated in the middle of a uninhabited barren region and is occupied by Monks who seldom see people around the region except of course an occasional bus load of tourists.

How can one write about the Holyland and not mention such historic places as the excavations of the Crusaders City north of the city of Acre, the Bahai Shrine and the lovely Persian gardens in

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OUR TRIP TO ISRAEL (cont. from page 18)

Haifa. The city of Nazareth, or the city of Bethlehem and the Church of the Nativity and many other famous Houses of worship in and around the Holy City of Jerusalem.

Although four weeks has passed since our return from the trip the memories of this tour will last a long, long time.

Last but not least in the Holyland as in all cities we visited we look for coin dealers in the hope of finding an elongated coin of the region, especially in the old city of Jerusalem, but to no avail. I always carry my elongated membership elongated coin with me and when I showed the coin to the Arab merchants in the bazaars, they looked at the coin with much amazement.

THE JOY OF COLLECTING

by Harold Snyder TEC #98
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Boy what a winter we had this past year! It was so cold and when we weren't shoveling snow, which was almost everyday we were in the house trying to keep warm. When it snowed at night and we couldn't go out, this gave me some time to work on my elongated coin collection.

I took all my elongated coins out and sorted them out first. Then I put them in the 2x2 inch holders. After doing this, I put the holders in the plastic pages with twenty pockets. The pages were then added to the big ring binder book I had which held all the pages. I did this until I ran out of the holders and plastic pages, but at least many of my elongated coins are in order. This was a good past time during the cold winter days and I really enjoyed going through the several hundred elongated coins that I have. So with a snow storm quite often, I got a lot of my collection of elongated coins in order.

Through the help of one of my friends who is also a collector of elongated coins. I was able to get a nice ILL-Cpie #7 Royal Scot locomotive elongated cent. I was very pleased to add this to my collection as I have a good selection of the ILL-Cpie elongated coins. I also bought a lot of nice elongated coins from the different dealers who advertise in the various coin papers and magazines.

Now that the long hard winter is over and no more shoveling snow, spring and summer is well on the way. Its a pleasure now to visit the coin shows and flea markets in search of some elongated coins. I have been lucky enough to find quite a few nice elongated coins this way. I somehow don't think quite as many new elongated coins are being made lately, as there were in the past few years. If they are being made I haven't been lucky enough to find any. Anyhow its fun going to the coin shows, hoping one of these days you'll find something new. If I don't, maybe I'll be lucky enough to find one of the older rare elongated coins. Remember there are plenty around out there somewheres.

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We are making a survey as to how many members will go to Hawaii to the A.N.A. Convention. This will be an expensive trip and not many can afford this trip. It would be a good idea to let the A.N.A. know this. I guess the plans are being made to hold the convention there, so not much we can say or do. It still would be a good idea to know how many are planning on going to the convention in Hawaii.

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF AN ELONGATE

by O. Wilson Morgan TEC #183
Hernando, Florida

Today I am an elongate, but just where the idea for me first drew breath is hard to say. Personally, I think it must have been at the time my boss was coming out of a coma in a hospital in Aachen, Germany, some thirty years ago.

Stupid, my boss was awake just enough to hear and understand, the Major of Medics say to one of his officers, "We don't seem to be helping this fellow, so get his papers ready and we will fly him To Liverpool." I think they are better equipped to care for him.

Well, my boss, gosh how I hate that word, had landed in Liverpool and wanted no more of that cold, rainy foggy, and I do mean foggy place. So what does old stupid do? Has two of his buddies help dress, get his helmet, gun and around midnight, takes off down the back stairs heading for the outfit, thats (get this) somewhere in Germany. Its common knowledge that the Man-up-stairs takes care of fools and drunks. As the boss doesn't drink its not hard to see just what category he is placed in. Not too good in the English, but I'm sure you get my point. So, taken by ear and led by that Man-up-stairs, the boss travels for six days and nights hitch-hiking, begging his food and finally led to a highway on which sets a sign saying just where the company is located. As the boss had not seen the company for several weeks, the Man-up-stairs sure did a good job for him.

By now, the idea of hitch-hiking was in its infancy, but due to marriage and work I'm still in a dormant stage.

Then retirement and peace and in Sept. 76, the boss ups and takes down the highway to Indiana. You know, the boss really enjoyed the trip. So here it is 77 and he's going again. Well by the time this is printed I'll be a full-fledged elongate. Thats the story of my life and if your going to blame anyone, blame the boss.

Now this might not have much to do with my life as an elongate but as the boss has been preaching in favor of hitch-hiking for some time it may well have a bearing on my story. If rest stations were put on the national highways every 40 miles or so and an officer or guardsman stationed there to check the credentials of each hitch-hiker to a color code, drivers warned to pick up only at these stations, criminals would have trouble getting rides from one state to another. A blue stamp at a blue station with a month date insert would give each driver proof of fact, each hitch-hiker had been passed by the guardsman or station attendant. As gas seems to be a major problem today, making the highways safe for both drivers and hitch-hikers would seem to be of top priority and is there any way or better way for a young, or old person to see this beautiful country of ours. The boss and I think its worth talking about, what do you think?

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Do you have an article for TEC NEWS? While you are enjoying your summer, remember the Editor will be working on the TEC NEWS for you the members. So why not help out and send in your article in early so we can have a few days off this summer too. If you want it in for the October issue, then the deadline is, July 28th for articles and July 26th for ads. We will appreciate your help on this. So please get those articles in early. How about you new members sending in an article to earn yourself a nice TEC NEWS COIN. Just write an article of 250 words or more to earn this coin.

TEC MEMBERSHIP ELONGATED COINS

by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
North Brunswick, N.J.

Our April-May-June TEC NEWS contained the 1977 TEC membership elongated coin, for those who had their 1977 dues paid. It is interesting to compare the TEC membership elongated coins which now total eleven so far. The first membership coin was rolled on a 1893 Indian cent for the charter members and it reads as follows: "THE ELONGATED COLLECTOR - "TEC" - FOUNDED AUG. 20, 1966", (space for name) No. Dotted border, RWJ at right. The first coin made was 1967 and made by Ralph Jobe. Then from 1968 - 1069 the membership elongated coins were made by Dottie Dow. In 1970 - 1971 the membership coins were made by Henry Blaha. In 1972 they were made by Robert Luchtman and in 1973 they were made by Lloyd E. Wagaman. In 1974 the membership elongated coins were made by Sally-Al Kirka. In 1975, I did not know who made them, so I'll have to find out who did make them. In 1976 the membership elongated coins were again made by Sally-Al Kirka. This year 1977, the coins were made by Bob Luchtman.

Notice how the designs of our TEC membership elongated coins vary from roller to roller. Newer TEC members no doubt will have a task finding the early issues, but it does present a nice challenge so why not give it a try anyhow.

Midwest Elongated Collectors, "MEC" had two membership elongated coins made. A 1971 for charter members and another elongated coin made for 1975. The California Collectors of Elongateds, "CCE" has membership elongated coins made for, 1971-1972-1973-1974 and 1975. It is interesting to note the bear replaced our OWL on these issues.

For the collector attempting to complete the TEC membership elongated coins, start now and take advantage of the free swap-trade in the TEC NEWS. Anyone having some elongated coins they may wish to swap with others should write to the President and Editor Sally Kirka at once.

Members remember to note that Bob Luchtman should be credited for the 1977 design for no initials are on this coin and next year you will wonder who to credit it to. This is how I goofed on the 1975 TEC membership elongated coin. Anyone knowing the roller for this one write and let us all know. Sally will be happy to put your answer in the next TEC NEWS.

A round of appreciation is coming to all the rollers for their worthy contributions to TEC with their fine designs. Many thanks one and all.

In closing I would like to suggest that the TEC membership coins be sent to the American Numismatic Association for our TEC showcase for displaying. If possible to have dimes rolled for this.

(Editor's Notes:- The 1975 TEC membership elongated coins were rolled out by Bob Luchtman. The TEC NEWS was already printed so we couldn't put in who had rolled the membership coins. We try to hold off as long as we can to try to get the new pennies out. I still haven't seen any around here yet, as of this writing in April. Now Bob Luchtman has an "O" with a dot in the middle of it to show that he made the coin. Look at your 1976 TEC badge and see if you can find it. It's there.

Now about the re-rolling of the membership coins on dimes. Its to late for that now as most of the early dies have been destroyed. Also the early coins are gone as we only could give out to how many members we had at the time. So a limited amount were given out.)

AN ENCYCLOPDIA OF "THE MODERN ELONGATED"

by A.A. Rosato TEC #23
New Milford, Conn.

First let me thank my fellow members in TEC, and all my friends in elongateds who sent me "Get Well" wishes during my illness. I also want to thank President Sally Kirka who was kind enough to write a few nice words in TEC's last newsletter. With this, I was moved to write a few words at this time.

Many of you older members in TEC have known about my work on an elongated coin book. Many of the subscribers have been waiting a long time for a release of this work. Each year it was rumored that the book would be ready for the next year, and so on. Lee Martin, who is very dedicated in elongated coins and knows the gruesome work in the preparation of a book, would occassionally announce the forthcoming of my book. Others, who were close in knowing about my work, also felt a tentative release at any moment. However newer members in TEC, who perhaps never heard or knew of my work, will be happy to learn that there is pending a complete literary treatise on the subject of the "modern elongated coins". Therefore, it may be appropriate for me to let every collector know what is going on.

Since 1968 when I first began the dream of putting together a work on elongated coins, I truly have never halted the idea. I know that many have ceased to believe that my book would ever take place. This I can understand because little has been explained as to what exactly is at hand. Thus, without going into a preponderant explanation, or articulate the many reasons for the lenghty delay, I will merely state that life has its interruptions, some grim, such as a bad illness. However, when life is not so ruffled, I have at every spare moment spent endless hours in research, tabulation, correspondence, and the putting together a manuscript! Each hour has produced a swelling into the work unimaginative to those who never invested the time to write a book. Much progress has been made, even though there has been many vexatious delays. The work has also been very arduous with frenzied moments. While too, some limited excitement when you see the thickset of your work unfold after so many, many months. Several times the work format had to be completely reworked due to an item such as obsolescence or obstacles such as confirming authentic information and data.

For more than 18 months now I have been under the care of a doctor, thus repressing the work. I am making excellant improvement, however, in my health and I have slowly begun the work again. The work is encyclopedic in scope. The book will list and illustrate more tham 4000 modern specimens. It will also touch upon 316 older elongated coins, both so-called unlisteds and re-rolls. The chapter work will cover all modern issues, their more than 50 rollers and encompass all facets connected or associated in the realm of elongated coins. There will be some new surprises never revealed or known before. It will contribute to the advancement of the novice, student, or scholar in the elongated coin hobby, along with its historical recordings.

In conclusion, in no way will my work counteract the work of Dottie Dow or that of Lee Martin. In no way will their works impede, hinder, or defeat mine! I shall quote the words of the late friend-member Maurice Gould: "Two books are better than one". In effect, the more books on the subject the better.

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AN ENCYCLOPDIA OF "THE MODERN ELONGATED"

Finally, I can not project a release date at this time. There are many loose ends at the moment. I am striving for the near future. I also can not properly hint at a price for this volumous text reference. Announcements will be made at the appropriate time. Those who may be interested in a reserved copy should write as soon as possible. Your name will be registered in my file and later be advised. I would appreciate if the members will suppress their queries to me. To extend the courtesy of an answer will delay and hinder my work. If you feel the query and answer important, then please be sure to send along a stamped self addressed envelope and I will do my best for you.

JOHN GUBATA MEMORIAL AWARD

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

This May was a year since we lost one of the TEC Board of Directors, the late John Gubata of North Groverdale, Connecticut. To us here in Connecticut many of us have lost a very dear friend. John belonged to many clubs around here and was well liked by many of his friends. Around here John will never be forgotten. His mother Mrs. Mary Gubata donated a "John Gubata Memorial Award" to be given out for the best exhibit during National Coin Week at the Tri-State Coin Club of Danielson. Connecticut. This year our coin exhibit program was held at the April 24th meeting of the club.

When Lou Desrochers, another TEC member from Putnam, Conn. told the members, Mrs. Mary Gubata would donate this "John Gubata Memorial Award" plaque for the best exhibit, everyone was very interested. All the members of the Tri-State Coin Club of Danielson, Conn. were out to try to win this award and I was one of them too. Since John was a member of TEC and with all my elongated coins, I set out to make my exhibit. I already told you I had made an eagle out of pennies and dimes for a Bicentennial exhibit. So the next thing to do was get as many Bicentennial elongated coins that I had. As I collect wooden money and have made many wooden money with an elongated coin on them to celebrate the different towns in Connecticut, this is what I thought I would use in my exhibit, This way my exhibit would cover my elongated coins and wooden money for the Bicentennial year of 1976. I did my best to have a nice exhibit and brought it to the club.

Now for elongated coins and wooden money to win over paper money, U.S. coins or a beautiful exhibit of medals, is hard to beat, I was very happy that I won a trophy, when to my surprise Lou Desrochers walked up to me and said, I also won the first "John Gubata Memorial Award" plaque too. This sure was a surprise to me and how pleased and happy I was to win this award. I will always cherish this beautiful plaque in Memory of the late John Gubata a very dear friend of Al and I. Thank you Mrs. Gubata for making this possible. I'm also proud that I won on my exhibit of elongated coins on wooden money.

DEADLINE NOTICE

DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

ADS - JULY 26th ARTICLES - JULY 28th

ENJOY YOUR TEC NEWS

BY GLEN TYE TEC #630
LAURENCE HARBOR, N.J.

As I read the TEC newsletter, I find it very informative and this time a little sad due to the fact that I read that (M.E.C.) Midwest Elongated Collectors club has ceased to exsist. This indeed is very sad.

I sure hope this never happens to "The Elongated Collectors". I always look forward to receiving my issue of the TEC NEWS as I enjoy it very much. I do try to write at least one article once a year. Even this is sometimes hard to do, but I try.

I figure there are at least 400 members or maybe 300 or more members. If every TEC members at least wrote one article each year we would have a lot of interesting reading from the members. So grab that pen and paper and write that article of 250 words or more about elongated coins, or something to do with them. I'm sure I as well as the other TEC members will enjoy your story about elongated coins.

I started collecting elongated coins three years ago which I have found very rewarding, interesting and also have a lot of fun tracking them down. I have also thought it would be a lot of fun to build my own rolling machine. Somehow I have never seen any plans on how to build one. If any one has a plan, or some idea I could follow, I sure would like to have a set of these plans so I could try my luck on making my own rolling machune. This really would be appreciated by me.

I have read the information sheet sent out by the "House of Elongateds," on how they make their designs and etch them on the dies for their rolling machine. I have quite a few of their elongated coins. Many current events are portrayed on their elongated coins too. Their series of airplanes is a very good one and I have everyone of these elongated coins in my collection. These are just a few of their elongated coins I'm proud of.

I have talked with several TEC members and I find them a very nice group of people. I enjoy talking and writing to all of them. Everyone you meet broadens your knowledge of elongated coins. I enjoyed reading Lloyd Wagamans book about his elongated coins, which includes how they were rolled and the long history of elongated coins. To think the elongated coins were around for about 84 years. As far as I know the first elongated coin was knowned to be made at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893. Yes, I enjoy our TEC NEWS, so please keep those articles coming so we can enjoy reading it in the TEC NEWS.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Next year the A.N.A. Convention will be held in Houston, Texas and thats Ruby Threlkeld's country. Maybe Ruby can tell us a little about the place and we can make a report about the city in each issue, starting in the January issue of the TEC NEWS. So Atlanta here we come this August of 1977 and next year, its Houston, Texas in 1978. Move over Ruby as we will be there and we will find out if its true what they say about Texas!

Don't forget the deadline for articles for the TEC NEWS will be July 28th and for TEC ads its July 26th. So get that article in early, so I can get some fishing done this summer too. So have a happy summer.

THE BACK DOOR

BY MARTIN ROSSOW TEC #689
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Neighbors, relatives and friends always entered through our back door and visited with us around the kitchen table. The Pastor and the Sunday visitors would come through the front door and would be escorted into the parlor, which my mother opened for special occasions. I also entered the elongated coin field, through the back door.

We moved to Phoenix from Wisconsin in 1960. I had belonged to the Wisconsin River Valley Coin Club and was the only member at that time who collected tokens. In one issue of the Coin World, I noticed an ad advertising Communion Tokens by Rev. Donald N. Lindgren, then of White Plains, N.Y. and now living in Scotland. He replied that a Buckie Orr of Mesa, Arizona also collected them. I then met Mary and Buckie Orr. They informed me where and when the Phoenix Coin Club Met. Thats where I met Dottie Dow and Harold Schmal at that club.

Dottie Dow gave lectures on elongated tokens and also handed them out at our Christmas parties. The first elongated coin I had purchased was from Dottie Dow who obtained it at the Boston A.N.A. convention, from A.A. Rosato. By this time, I had around a dozen elongated coins in my fast growing collection.

The thing that surprised me the most is that Mary Orr never mentioned collecting elongated coins in all of the times that we knew each other. Probably, because I never brough up the subject, not realizing that she did collect them. She and I already had some good luck winning door prizes at the Phoenix Coin Club and would chuckle when both of us won at the same meeting. It was sort of a game with us. The last drawing in which we participated (not the Phoenix Coin Club) we bought tickets at a coin show for an Austrian gold coin. She called to tell me that she had won the coin.

One night I received a call from Joanne Hall, Mary and Buckie's daughter, to tell me that Mary had passed away. I felt crushed losing such a dear friend. I never was more surprised in my life than when I found out later that she had left me her collection of elongated coins. She had specialized in collecting Dottie Dow's tokens and naturally I chose to stay in the same speciality.

How did it feel? Just like entering a toy store and saying, "all of these toys belong to me." I was amazed after glancing through the collection at the vast number of fields in which you can specialize, Dottie Dow's handshakes, religious, flags, store cards, Canadians, etc. After that I became an elongated coin fan and joined the, "The Elongated Collectors Club.

NOTICE

The TEC NEWS may be a little late this October, due to the fact that we get home so late from the convention. When we get home we want to take a few days rest. So bear with us and your TEC NEWS will be on its way, maybe two or three weeks later. As you see on many pages the deadline for the October issue was July 28th. We will do what we can before we leave for our trip, but I again don't expect to work all summer on TEC NEWS either. What is sent to us after the convention will be put in the January issue. Its a little confusing, but thats the way you work it. In July I work on the October issue, while in October I work on the January issue. Thank you for your patience.

THE TEC FAMILY

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

I received a letter from Harold Anderson who visited the hotel where most of us will stay at the A.N.A. Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. Honest, I really got a big kick out of him saying we will have a nice place to sit down, as there are plenty of sofas around. Now as you know when your TEC President picks a place to sit at the hotel lobby, thats TEC hang out for the rest of the convention days.

Its a must to stop there at all hours, as some TEC member will be there all the time. My sore feet give up so easy that they usually name that corner after me. As a matter strangers stop and ask me the way to the different things going on in the hotel, more than they do at the hotel desk. You can bet I'll be there with Al to greet all our TEC members, so look for me in the lobby. If you see that tired looking lady with blond hair, just walk up and say hello Sally, I'm TEC member so and so.

Believe me I think there's more excitement in our little corner as there's something going on there all the time. I can almost picture Sister Alice Penzes running across the lobby. She is always the first one I see. Next comes Harold and Alice Anderson, then Richard Townsend, our big brother. Then before we know it, in walks our sister Dottie and everyone starts talking at once. No matter how much I watch at the door, our sister from Texas, Ruby Threlkeld seems to sneak by me all the time and surprises us. When she arrives most of our TEC family is there. From that time on we meet the rest of the TEC family together. I really don't think anyone, or I should say group is happier to see each other as this TEC family group is. I love them all and can't wait to see themm all again.

In California our brother Chuck Strickland kept my chair for me all the time. No one dared to sit there. God bless Chuck, but if there was no chair around, Chuck would find one for me. I guess he felt sorry because I had a patch over my eye. What a lot of people didn't know was I almost went blind that year. So I saw California, something I dreamed of all my life, with one eye.

In New York the bench was real hard and not very comfortable and we were not sorry to leave that hotel. One night our bench was taken and as soon as one person even bent over a little, we moved in. Then Ruby Threlkeld showed us how to get a seat. With out meaning any harm and this was not done deliberately, we got our bench back in two minutes. I can't put in writing what happened next, but no one stopped laughing for an hour. That a girl Ruby, at least we got our bench back, only I'm glad we are not going back to that hotel again.

We also look forward to seeing Sylvia and Ben Odesser as it is a joy to see them both. Each one at times go their own way, but sooner or later each day, the TEC family stops by Sally's corner to say hello or sit and talk with us. I know this year Harold Butner and his wife will be visiting with us and maybe Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman. To tell you the truth I can't wait to see these nice two people again. We missed you folks very much. Now John and Barbara Izzo may be with us again and many more of our TEC family that we met in New York. Yes, the TEC members are really a big family from all over the United States. So come one, come all, meet us all at Sally's corner at the A.N.A. Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, this coming August 24-28, 1977. Our TEC meeting will be held Friday on August 26, 1977, so if you miss us in the lobby you can meet us all at the TEC general meeting.

ITS ABOUT TIME

by Gary E. Glise TEC #664
Rochester, N.Y.

Well, it looks like we are going to have a new reference book before long. Thank God for Mrs. Dottie Dow's fine book of the 1960's. Now that we are into the 70's we will have another updated encyclopedia of elongated coins. Lets face it, there were many elongated coins rolled in the past ten years, to say nothing of all of the new discoveries of unlisted early elongated coins that Mrs. Dow didn't have in her first book.

Maybe now we can all get a little bit more insight into our little hobby. I don't know what this will do to the price of the elongated coins, but at least it will all give us a better idea of what we are looking for to put in our collection.

For years I have told new collectors of United States coins to buy a copy of the "Red Book" and to get a years subscription to "Coin World", or Numismatic News Weekly" and a copy of #Brown & Dunn", before they spend a dollar on a coin. Then they know what they are buying before they buy it. Now, what do you tell someone who might be interested in collecting elongated coins? By right they should go out and buy a copy of Mrs. Dottie Dow's book for $75.00 or $100.00! Now who has that kind of money for one book, as nice as it might be.

This is something I have been pushing for since 1974 and now it has come. Let us all get behind this project and give it our all. I sure do hope that it won't be another ten years before we get another updated volume. Sure, money for the publication has to be a big part of it, but if we all buy a copy and dig through our collection to help out with unlisted elongated coins, what a real fine hobby our elongated coins could be. Everyone sharing our knowledge, no matter how much or how little with others.

Maybe too we can get some sort of idea or price list. Lets face it, some of us just don't know what is a fair price to bid on a coin, or pay for some elongated coins. I get a kick out of some coin dealers who might have an elongated coin or two in their cases at a coin show or a flea market. Some of the prices on the elongated coins are around $10.00 or $15.00. It is the same elongated coin that I have paid only $2.00 for. So how can these dealers sell the coins for such a high price. Sometimes it could be out of greed, but probably just out of ignorance. Maybe they just don't know what to charge! Maybe they picked up the elongated coin in a junk box, or just bought it because they didn't know what it was and thought they could make a big buck on it from some collector. Lets all show them we know our stuff. Lets advise them and see what they will do. If they don't do anything, why buy their elongated coins. Happy collecting to you all.

NOTICE - - - - - - NOTICE

If you are exhibiting elongated coins at the A.N.A. Convention, please write and let me know. Will appreciate this very much as then we know if we should buy a plaque or not. Last year we had some beautiful exhibits and it was nice to look at them among all the rest of the numismatic things. There were two or three that really stood out and I wish we could have given them all a plaque, but we only give one, the "Henry Blaha Memorial Award." So lets see who the lucky winner is this year of that award. Last year Harold Anderson of Florida was the lucky winner of that beautiful plaque.

NOTE OF INTEREST

Will try to bring a box of the new plastic holders I wrote about in the April issue of the TEC NEWS. These are good holders for storing your elongated coins, or nice to use for your exhibit. The cardboard holders are also very good for exhibiting too. No matter which holders you use, you will make good use of both. I'm hoping to find room in my suitcase to bring some of the plastic ones to show around as many members still don't know what I was trying to explain. One thing a person should learn to flatten the elongated coins, so they will lay flat in the holders. I'm not telling you that you have to do this as its all up to you. It does make a difference if you put them in the holders. They do look better laying flat in holders and nice in an exhibit as neatness counts. I do not sell any of the holders. Check your April issue for more information on both kinds of holders for your elongated coins. The white holders can easily be put in those 20 pocket plastic pages and could be put in those ring binder books. The plastic holders can be put together so they can be made into a page and then put in the same kind of a book. As far as storing, you may have your own way of doing this. Lets hear from the members just how do they store their elongated coins. Some of you may have some better ideas. See you all at the A.N.A. Convention at the TEC meeting on Aug. 26th and hope to have the holders there.

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JOHN, JOHN KENNEDY COIN

BY SALLY KIRKA TEC #16
MANCHESTER, CONN.

Boy oh boy, a few years ago I saw an elongated coin with little John John Kennedy salute the coffin of his father, as it was being brought into Church. Many times I've asked around as to who made this coin and always hoping I'd come across this nice elongated coin. Well just lately I received a nice package from Mary Eggleston and the first elongated coin that fell out was the coin I had looked for so long. This was a pleasant surprise and I was very pleased just to get this coin.

I put my hand in the package further and the next coin I saw was "Old Drum," the dog 1869-1969. Now if you had read the article in the 1976 July issue of the TEC NEWS that Bill Henderson wrote about "Elongateds can tell an interesting story too," you would remember that this was the story of the little boy and his dog named Drum. This elongated coin has the picture of the dog on it. This is a must for all you dog lovers out there. The story was such a beautiful one that if you own a dog, it would bring tears to your eyes.

Then as I looked futher into the package I came across a few more coins that Mary had sent me, each one a nice collectors item in your collection. The list is of the ten other elongated coins Mary Eggleston had sent me were: 1. Kansas City Chiefs / Worlds Champions/ 1969. 2. Wailing Wall/Jerusalem. 3. 10th Anniversary/ Atlanta City/1970/. 4. Canada/British Columbia/1970. 5. Hutchinson Kansas/ sunflower/. 6. Merry Christmas/ Dr. Linn Waller Jr./ 1971. 7. Ganelot Inn/ Tulsa, Okla/1969/Type 1. 8. the same as number 7/ but type 2. 9. A. Elizabeth "Manchie" Batterton. 10. Dr. Lynn D Weller Jr and picture. Now the reason why I'm writing is to tell others of what I have and maybe others will see what they too were looking for, for their collection.

Now those collecting Christmas coins heres another coin you could buy from Mary if they still are available. I'd first write to her for more information and please don't forget that stamped self address envelope when writing to her. Since she gave me these coins, I do not know if she has any more, but its good to ask about them anyhow.

Many members collect coins such as the wailing wall and this too will go nice in a collection and can make a very nice exhibit of what I call my Jewish elongated coins.

If your interested in any of these elongated coins please write to Mary Eggleston, R.R. #3, Milton Thompson Rd., Lee's Summit, Mo. 64063. Maybe others have these coins too, but Mary rolled them, so why not write to her direct. Thank you Mary for sending me these coins as I appreciate them, especially the John, John nice coin. Hope others will find the coin they have been looking for as I did. So happy collecting to you all. If you see a coin you want why not buy it or you to will be looking for that coin you want for years as I did.

The deadline for the next issue of the TEC NEWS is July 26, for ads and July 28, for articles. Don't let me down for the summer, so send in your article now, so maybe I can get in some fishing too. A happy summer to all. Will visit with some of you in Atlanta this summer too, so see many of you there.

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His friends tried to persuade him not to go, but he went.

By pretending that he was a Dutch schoolteacher, he got through the British lines. He acquired a great deal of information for Washington, but on his way back to the rear was caught. The British followed the rules of war, and Hale was hanged. To them he was just a spy. But to the Americans he was and still is, a great patriot. Many statues of him have been erected in honor of this hero.

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